

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 2821

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By Ms. Malia of Boston, petition of Elizabeth A. Malia for legislation to provide adequate protection and quality care for children in licensed facilities of the Office of Child Care Services. Children and Families.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

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### AN ACT CREATING ASSIGNMENT LEVELS IN THE OFFICE OF CHILD CARE SERVICES.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

- 1 Section 10(a) of said chapter 28A, is hereby amended by
- 2 adding at the end thereof the following sentence:—
- 3 The commissioner shall ensure that no licensor shall have
- 4 assignment levels of day care centers or family day care homes in
- 5 excess of the standards set forth by the National Association for
- 6 the Education of Young Children and shall request the same in the
- 7 Office's budget request to the General Court. Reasonable assign-
- 8 ment levels shall be established for residential and placement
- 9 licensors and investigators in order to provide adequate protection
- 10 and quality care for children in licensed facilities. The commis-
- 11 sioner's annual budget request to the General Court shall include
- 12 sufficient funding to meet said assignment levels.